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For: POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE)
HAVING VINYL GROUP, ESTER :
GROUP, CARBOXYL GROUP)
AND SULFONIC ACID GROUP, :
AND PRODUCTION METHOD)
THEREOF : May 16, 2007

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the concurrently submitted Form PTO/SB/08a. Copies of the foreign patent publications and non-patent literature documents are provided.

The Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. Applications:

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10/580,830	06/09/2005	1632
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The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English language documents may be found, *inter alia*, in the English language abstracts attached thereto and/or in the specification there they are cited.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a written confirmation be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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